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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Reactions to RONI

1. I have now shown our sample issue of the Review of National Intelligence to several interested people and have received their initial reactions:

a. Dick Lehman, D/OCI, and his Deputy, []
[] read the RONI with some considerable interest. They have no major problems. Lehman, in fact, said he liked it very much.

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b. Ed Proctor, DDI, wondered who the primary audience for RONI is. He suggested that it not be shown to consumers and others outside the Intelligence Community. He is afraid that criticism of this nature being aired outside the immediate Community would harm relations with those being criticized. If we wish a constructive response, we should--in addition to being diplomatic--keep matters of interest to production offices within production circles. Proctor enjoyed reading the sample issue and had no specific criticisms.

c. Danny Graham's comments have been transmitted to me by memorandum. They are, in essence, the most critical we have received. The principal problem, as I see it, is that Graham denies us the right to regularly review the DIN because, by his definition, it is not national intelligence. I feel that it most certainly is, but will not argue the point here, and would not wish to give up our right to review the DIN without further serious discussion.

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2. I think we are in business, but we have two major questions to answer. One, raised by Proctor, concerns proper dissemination; the other, raised by Graham, concerns what we should be reviewing.

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